

other community activities that contributed to changes in community responses to family violence, based on indicators developed in consultation with family violence experts, including the statewide coalition on family violence conducting the study in conjunction with the commission and the researcher described by Section 2(b)(2) of this Act;

(3) evaluate the effectiveness of the program in increasing male involvement in addressing family violence;

(4) incorporate background information, such as the number of calls made to domestic violence hotlines, the number of prosecutions of offenses involving family violence, and the number of charges filed in family violence cases, to provide context for the issue of family violence in the Dallas community and this state;

(5) assess the costs associated with the program and other community activities addressing family violence and sources of funding;

(6) determine the feasibility of implementing any or all of the program aspects or other community activities addressing family violence at the state level or in additional local communities or school districts; and

(7) make recommendations to the legislature regarding implementing any or all of the program aspects or other community activities addressing family violence at the state level or in additional local communities or school districts.

SECTION 4. AGENCY PARTICIPATION AND COOPERATION. At the request of the commission, the Department of Family and Protective Services and each other health and human services agency under the authority of the commission shall participate in the study and provide appropriate assistance. The Texas Education Agency shall cooperate with the commission as necessary to enable the commission to assess the feasibility of implementing any or all of the program aspects or other community activities addressing family violence in school districts.

SECTION 5. REPORT. Not later than December 1, 2016, the commission shall submit a report to the legislature regarding the results of the study and the commission's recommendations regarding expanded implementation of any or all program aspects or other community activities addressing family violence.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

Passed by the House on April 9, 2015: Yeas 130, Nays 13, 2 present, not voting; the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 77 on May 29, 2015: Yeas 113, Nays 31, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 27, 2015: Yeas 30, Nays 1.

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USE OF HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX REVENUE IN CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES

CHAPTER 970

H.B. No. 1585

AN ACT

relating to the use of hotel occupancy tax revenue in certain municipalities.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 351.101, Tax Code, is amended by adding Subsection (j) to read

as follows:

(j) In addition to the purposes provided by Subsection (a), a municipality that has a population of not more than 5,000 and at least part of which is located less than one-eighth of one mile from a space center operated by an agency of the federal government may use revenue from the municipal hotel occupancy tax for expenses, including promotion expenses, directly related to a sporting event in which the majority of participants are tourists who substantially increase economic activity at hotels and motels within the municipality or its vicinity.

SECTION 2. Subchapter B, Chapter 351, Tax Code, is amended by adding Section 351.1071 to read as follows:

Sec. 351.1071. ALLOCATION OF REVENUE: CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES.

(a) This section applies only to a municipality:

(1) that has a population of not more than 5,000; and

(2) at least part of which is located less than one-eighth of one mile from a space center operated by an agency of the federal government.

(b) In this section, "authorized facility" means a civic center, marina, meeting room, hotel, parking facility, or visitor center, including signage related to the facility, that:

(1) is owned by the municipality or a nonprofit corporation acting on behalf of the municipality;

(2) is located not more than 1,000 feet from a hotel property in the municipality; and

(3) substantially enhances hotel activity and encourages tourism within the municipality.

(c) Subject to Subsection (d) and notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, a municipality to which this section applies may use the amount of revenue derived from the application of the tax under this chapter at a rate of three percent of the price paid for a room in a hotel to:

(1) establish, acquire, purchase, construct, improve, maintain, or operate an authorized facility; and

(2) pay bonds issued for a purpose described by Subdivision (1).

(d) A municipality may not use municipal hotel occupancy tax revenue on an authorized facility in a total amount that would exceed the amount of hotel revenue attributable to events at that facility for the 15-year period following the completion of construction.

(e) A municipality that uses municipal hotel occupancy tax revenue for a purpose authorized by this section shall publish annually for the 15-year period following the completion of construction at the authorized facility for which the revenue was used a report on the Internet website of the municipality that lists:

(1) for the preceding year, the events held at the authorized facility with respect to which the tax revenue was used and the number of hotel room nights attributable to those events; and

(2) the amount of hotel revenue and municipal hotel occupancy tax revenue attributable to events held at the authorized facility in that year.

(f) If a municipality uses municipal hotel occupancy tax revenue to establish, acquire, purchase, construct, or improve an authorized facility, the municipality shall, on the 5th, 10th, and 15th anniversaries of the completion of construction at the facility:

(1) calculate:

(A) the sum of:

(i) municipal hotel occupancy tax revenue used to maintain or operate the facility in the past five years;

(ii) one-third of the amount of municipal hotel occupancy tax revenue used to establish, acquire, purchase, construct, or improve the authorized facility; and

(iii) any credits carried over from a previous five-year period, as authorized by Subsection (g); and

(B) hotel revenue directly attributable to events held at the authorized facility in the past five years; and

(2) if the amount calculated under Subdivision (1)(A) exceeds the amount calculated under Subdivision (1)(B), reimburse the municipality's hotel occupancy tax revenue fund from the municipality's general fund in the amount of the difference.

(g) If, for a given five-year period, the amount calculated under Subsection (f)(1)(B) exceeds the amount calculated under Subsection (f)(1)(A), the municipality may carry forward the difference to be used as a credit in a subsequent five-year period.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

Passed by the House on May 15, 2015: Yeas 118, Nays 21, 2 present, not voting; the House refused to concur in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1585 on May 28, 2015, and requested the appointment of a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; the House adopted the conference committee report on H.B. No. 1585 on May 31, 2015: Yeas 99, Nays 44, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 26, 2015: Yeas 29, Nays 2; at the request of the House, the Senate appointed a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; the Senate adopted the conference committee report on H.B. No. 1585 on May 30, 2015: Yeas 28, Nays 3.

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ALLOCATION OF STATE HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX REVENUE TO CERTAIN BARRIER ISLAND COASTAL MUNICIPALITIES

CHAPTER 971

H.B. No. 1915

AN ACT

relating to the allocation of state hotel occupancy tax revenue to certain barrier island coastal municipalities.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 156.2512, Tax Code, is amended by amending Subsections (a), (b), and (c) and adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

(a) Not later than the last day of the month following a calendar quarter and subject to Subsection (d), the comptroller shall:

(1) compute the amount of revenue, *excluding revenue described by Subsection (e)*, derived from the collection of taxes imposed under this chapter at a rate of *two* ~~one~~ percent and received from hotels located ~~[on barrier islands]~~ in an eligible barrier island coastal municipality; ~~[described by Subsection (c)(1)(C)(i) or (ii)]~~ and

(2) issue to the municipality a warrant drawn on the general revenue fund for that amount; ~~and~~

~~[(2) compute the amount of revenue derived from the collection of taxes imposed under this chapter at a rate of two percent and received from hotels located on barrier islands in an eligible barrier island coastal municipality described by Subsection (c)(1)(C)(iii) and issue to the municipality a warrant drawn on the general revenue fund for that amount].~~